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Message:

Further you your conversation earlier today with Gerard Messina, enclosed are copies of a Restriction Requirement filed with the Patent Office on February 12, 2003, and of a returned postcard for the above-mentioned Restriction

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (212) 908-6368.

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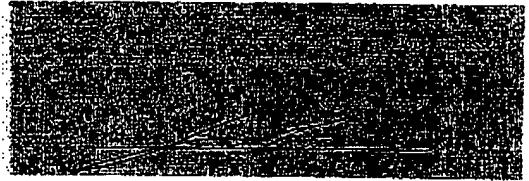
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Serial No. : 10/017,772  
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT & EXTENSION REQUEST

SIR:

In response to the requirement for restriction contained in the Office Action dated November 14, 2002, applicants elect Group I containing claims 1-9 for further prosecution on the merits.

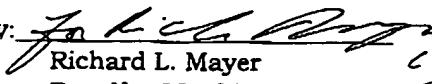
Applicants request a two-month extension of time to respond to the Restriction Requirement, the extended due date being February 14, 2003. Please charge the required \$410 extension fee to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon, deposit account number 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: February 12, 2003

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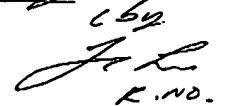
  
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